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CREDENTIALS

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1. ON JUNE 29, I DISCUSSED FORMALITIES AMBASSADOR BERGUS SHOULD OBSERVE AFTER HIS ARRIVAL HERE IN MEETING WITH NEW CHIEF OF PROTOCOL ABDULLAH ALI JABEIR, UNTIL RECENTLY SUDANESE CONGEN IN ASMARA. IN INFORMED HIM THAT AMBASSADOR WOULD BE ARRIVING ON SWISSAIR SATURDAY JULY 9 AND WOULD BE IN THE OFFICE MONDAY, JULY 11.

2. JABEIR SAID HE WOULD MEET AMBASSADOR BERGUS AT AIRPORT AND AS SOON AS POSSIBLE MEETING WOULD BE SCHEDULED AT FOREIGN MINISTRY. AMBASSADOR, ACCOMPANIED BY DCM, WILL FIRST CALL BRIEFLY ON CHIEF OF PROTOCOL WHERE HE WILL LEAVE COPY OF HIS CREDENTIALS AND COPY OF HIS SPEECH WHICH SHOULD BE NO MORE THAN TWO PAGES (SINGLE SPACE) IN LENGTH. AMBASSADOR, TOGETHER WITH DCM, WILL THEN BE TAKEN FOR INITIAL MEETING WITH FOREIGN MINISTER BY CHIEF OF PROTOCOL, AND AGAIN HE WILL SHOW HIS CREDENTIALS TO FOREIGN MINISTER.

3. PROTOCOL WILL MAKE AN APPOINTMENT FOR AMBASSADOR TO PRESENT HIS CREDENTIALS. AS OF NOW PRESIDENT
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NIMEIRI IS SCHEDULED TO BE HERE DURING WEEK OR SO FOLLOWING AMBASSADOR'S ARRIVAL. NORMALLY AMBASSADORS HERE PRESENT CREDENTIALS SATURDAY MORNINGS. ON MORNING CREDENTIALS ARE TO BE PRESENTED, CHIEF OF PROTOCOL WILL ESCORT AMBASSADOR FROM HIS HOME TO PRESIDENTIAL PALACE WHERE CEREMONY WILL TAKE PLACE. AS REPORTED REFTEL DARK BUSINESS

SUIT IS PROPER DRESS AND AMBASSADOR'S PRINCIPAL ASSISTANTS WILL ATTEND. UNTIL CREDENTIALS ARE PRESENTED, AMBASSADOR IS EXPECTED NOT RPT NOT TO TRANSACT OFFICIAL DIPLOMATIC BUSINESS.

4. COMMENT: ARRIVAL AND PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS FORMALITIES HERE ARE SIMILAR TO MOST CAPITALS. AS OF NOW BELIEVE THERE SHOULD BE NO SPECIAL PROBLEMS, AND WE HAVE INDICATED OUR DESIRE TO HAVE AMBASSADOR PRESENT HIS CREDENTIALS WITH AS LITTLE DELAY AS POSSIBLE.
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